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FOR NEA/EX. CA-R. SOMERVILLE. M/MO-H. JONES, PER/FCA/JO-
M. DURKEE

E. O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CGEN APER ABUD
SUBJ: USE OF TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES IN CONSULAR FUNCTIONS

REF.: A) STATE 36833, B) STATE 16438

1. EMBASSY TEL AVIV WILL REQUEST FIVE PIT POSITION AND CONGEN JERUSALEM THREE FOR SUMMER EMPLOYMENT IN THE CONSULAR SECTION. THIS REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF ONE POSITION FOR TEL AVIV AND TWO FOR JERUSALEM OVER THOSE AUTHORIZED FOR 1977. APPROPRIATE WORKLOAD JUSTIFICATION FOR THESE INCREASES ARE CONTAINED IN THE SUMMARY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS TO BE SUBMITTED SEPARATELY BY THE EMBASSY AND CONGEN. ALL PIT EMPLOYEES WILL BE FSL.

	VISA	PASSPORT & CITIZENSHIP
TEL AVIV	4	1
JERUSALEM	2	1

2. PER REFTEL B TEL AVIV HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL CONSULAR OFFICER POSITION FYR FY 1978. IN ADDITION, VISA OFFICER POSITION NUMBER 31-3025-118 HAS BEEN VACANT FOR 3 MONTHS. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, IT WOULD BE REALISTIC AND
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PRUDENT TO ASSUME THAT NEITHER VACANCY WILL BE FILLED DURING THE PEAK LOAD SEASON WHICH BEGINS IN APRIL. THIS STAFFING SHORTAGE HAS PLACED A HEAVY BURDEN ON PERMANENT LOCAL EMPLOYEES WHICH CAN BE PARTIALLY RELIEVED BY THE USE OF PIT FSLE.

3. THE MAIN DUTIES OF BOTH TEL AVIV AND JERUSALEM PITS

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INCLUDE:

(A) CLERICAL: FILING, TYPING, MICROFICHE NAME CHECKS, RECEPTION CLERK, INITIAL SCREENING OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS, TELEPHONE RECEPTIONIST.

(B) TRANSLATION: AS ONLY ONE CONSULAR LANGUAGE DESIGNATED POSITION IS ALLOTTED TO TEL AVIV AND NONE TO JERUSALEM, VISA INTERVIEWING OFFICERS MUST USE INTERPRETERS. THIS APPLIES ALSO TO CITIZENSHIP SECTION WHERE YIDDISH AND GERMAN ARE FREQUENTLY REQUIRED. TRANSLATION OF DOCUMENTS IS ANOTHER TIME CONSUMING TASK. BOTH POSTS HAVE VERY SUCCESSFULLY USED UNIVERSITY ENGLISH STUDENTS WHO RETURN ANNUALLY DURING THEIR VACATION.

4. DRAFTING OF CORRESPONDENCE, CABLES AND REPORTS IS RESERVED FOR OFFICERS AND PERMANENT LOCAL STAFF. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE ARE REFERRED TO THE APPROPRIATE FSLE OR CONSULAR OFFICER BY PIT RECEPTIONISTS.

5. IT HAS BEEN DIFFICULT BUT NOT IMPOSSIBLE TO RECRUIT QUALIFIED TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES IN TEL AVIV AND JERUSALEM. THE EXTREME IMPORTANCE OF BI-LINGUAL ABILITIES, AS WELL AS BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS, MAKE LOCAL EMPLOYEES MORE USEFUL THAN AMERICANS FOR PIT POSITIONS. LEWIS

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